

I have offered an amendment to the Committee on Rules to prevent the repeal of this provision, but it was not made in order by the Republican leadership.

Every year thousands of parents make room in their budget to buy school supplies for their kids, things like this 99-cent bottle of glue. Most of you do not know, but in 1981 virtually every one of those parents paid more in taxes than the multimillion-dollar company which produced this product. According to Citizens for Tax Justice, in the 1981 tax year, Borden, the makers of this glue, despite making a profit of over \$201 million, paid no income tax. In fact, they got back \$14.9 million in tax credits.

Mr. Speaker, I hope we reject this bill, reject this rule, bring back tax fairness.

WE MUST PASS THE REPUBLICAN TAX RELIEF BILL

(Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in 1993, President Clinton and the liberal Democrats passed the largest tax increase in history, claiming it was for deficit reduction. But, the forecast is \$200 billion in deficits as far as the eye can see.

The problem is not that the Government does not have enough money; it just spends too much. We have the proof: For every dollar they have raised in taxes, they have spent a dollar fifty-nine.

We must pass the Republican tax relief bill. It reduces the Clinton Tax on workers, helps businesses expand, creates jobs, and gives money back to the people who earned it.

This tax cut is vital. We must eliminate the deficit. These cuts take money away from the beast, big government, and put dollars back in the hands of the creators of economic growth, the American people.

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THE CIRCUS IS INSIDE, TOO

(Mr. DOGGETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, there is a circus outside, but the real show is here with the rings on the inside. In ring No. 1, the incredible fire acts. You remember last week when we approved—some of us did not approve of it—burning your citizenship card in order to save billions of dollars if you are a billionaire and move offshore. Well, they performed very well. Apparently, if you have got enough money, patriotism does not matter anymore.

In ring 2, the amazing vanishing act. Yes, 18 of the 19 special deals vanished right out of the conference report, but one is still there; that is the one deal for Rupert Murdoch. You remember

Rupert of book deal fame, Rupert Murdoch.

The Daily News reports that the Republicans in the conference committee dropped their opposition to the tax break after learning Murdoch was the beneficiary and after consulting with Mr. GINGRICH. If Mr. GINGRICH wants to do something about the Murdoch book deal, now is the time to do it with a concurrent resolution pulling it back before we get to ring 3 of the circus today, the amazing contortionists who are going to explain how to balance the Federal budget by reducing the amount of Federal revenues. Who needs a circus outside when we have a circus on the inside?

THE CIRCUS

(Mr. HAYWORTH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I will agree with the preceding speaker on one matter: There is a circus and it is not the Ringling Brothers outside; the circus came to town 40 years ago with my liberal brethren on the other side of the aisle, still dealing with hocus-pocus of the speaker when we know that Senator MOSELY-BRAUN of Illinois introduced all these little sleight-of-hand documents here.

Let us talk about the rhetoric and the clowns. Those are folks who come forth making claims so outlandish regarding school lunches and school loans they would be funny if they were not so pathetic. Then you have the real acrobats. Those are the Members who talk about deficit reduction but then acting another way to spend our grandchildren's money without shame. They could be the real contortionists.

Then you have the tightrope walkers; those are Members who balance precariously between what the voters want, which is lower taxes and lower spending, and then you have what the liberal leadership of the Democratic Party wants, which is higher taxes and more spending.

Mr. Speaker, there is one real difference between Ringling Brothers and the liberal Democratic leadership: At least the real circus out front is entertaining.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind Members not to refer to Members of the other body.

HOW DO YOU STOP AN ELEPHANT THAT GOES BERSERK?

(Ms. LOFGREN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, when I told my 10-year-old last night that Ringling Brothers was coming to the House, he laughed out loud. I told him

that it was highly appropriate. After all, we have our own ringmaster, we have our own clowns.

I heard yesterday that a Member of the other body asked what do we do, how do you stop an elephant if they go berserk in the Capitol? Well, I understand he was talking about the need for assault weapons here in the Capitol. The next thing you know, we will be hunting giraffes.

But the real issue is that the elephants have gone berserk in the Capitol; it is called the contract on America. How do you stop them? There is an election in 18 months. Until then, it is bread and circuses here in our three-ring circus.

A GLORIOUS DAY FOR AMERICA

(Mr. SOUDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SOUDER. Mr. Speaker, today should be a glorious day for America. We hope to pass, in one day, a law that will cut taxes, releasing the engine of economic—dynamic economic growth and giving parents the freedom to make decisions for their own children. It will move Congress toward a balanced budget, and it will begin to transfer the power of the Federal Government back to the people.

The defenders of the Washington welfare state charge we "terrible" Republicans favor the rich, we want to deprive our children of lunches, and other desperate charges. Whine, whine, whine; I fear they drank too much of their own wine.

The truth is simple. America has spoken. Washington does not know best. Today can be the real beginning of the reversal of power where Americans can make their own decisions without consulting Congress. You might even say, "A morning in America, part 2," only this time not only will the cuts again increase Government revenues but now we have a Republican Congress that is not going to spend it all. God has given us a second change. Today should be a glorious day.

LET US PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR DEFICIT IS

(Mr. ROEMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROEMER. Mr. Speaker, in the last 91 days here in the United States Congress, we have passed some new legislation to give the President and the Congress more ability to cut spending and reduce the deficit. I voted for the line-item veto; I voted for the balanced budget amendment. But now the rubber meets the road. Now we have the opportunity to put our money where the deficit is.

Are we going to spend over \$700 billion that we cut in spending and give it